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Mr. Jarvis Parsons  
President, TDCAA  
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Bryan, TX 77803

Dear Jarvis,

I volunteered to serve on the Sexual Assault Survivors' Task Force because of the extensive work I have done during my time in office on the issues surrounding the prosecution of adult sexual assault cases. I have studied the national literature, assisted in organizing a local Interagency Sexual Assault Team, devoted additional resources in this Office to create a Sexual Assault Unit that includes an Intimate Partner Sexual Assault prosecutor, supported Senator Kirk Watson's legislative effort to address sexual assault issues, and called a Roundtable of experienced sexual assault prosecutors from across the State in an effort to discuss their most successful practices, commonly encountered difficulties, and resource limitations. I knew that my two years of intense work in this area would give the Task Force great assistance in the formulation of meaningful recommendations to State policy makers. I wanted to share the experiences of prosecutors in the enforcement of sexual assault laws and the support of the victims. Our knowledge is critical to the success of this Task Force.

I genuinely care about this endeavor. I also recognize that my anticipated participation has caused too much attention to be paid to my appointment and not enough attention to the work that needs to get done. I cannot let my presence undermine the effort. Therefore, I must ask you to withdraw my name from participation as your designee on the Governor's Sexual Assault Survivors Task Force. I assure you that I am still going to be working with my local people and prosecutors across the State, to see how we can improve the system and what it will take to make those improvements. If I can help you and your future designee, you know you can call on me.

I appreciate the confidence that you, and the TDCAA Board, have in me.

Very truly yours,

*Margaret Moore*  
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